Cool Giraffe Craft

This giraffe craft is cool because it's two layers. Kids will love punching holes for the giraffe spots into the yellow top layer. And then gluing the yellow layer on top of the brown layer and seeing the giraffe magically appear. It's a fun craft to make while reading "Giraffes Can't Dance" by Giles Andreae.

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Materials

- Giraffe Template (below)
- construction paper, colored copy paper, or colored cardstock
- scissors
- stapler
- craft hole punchers
- glue sticks
- black marker for the face

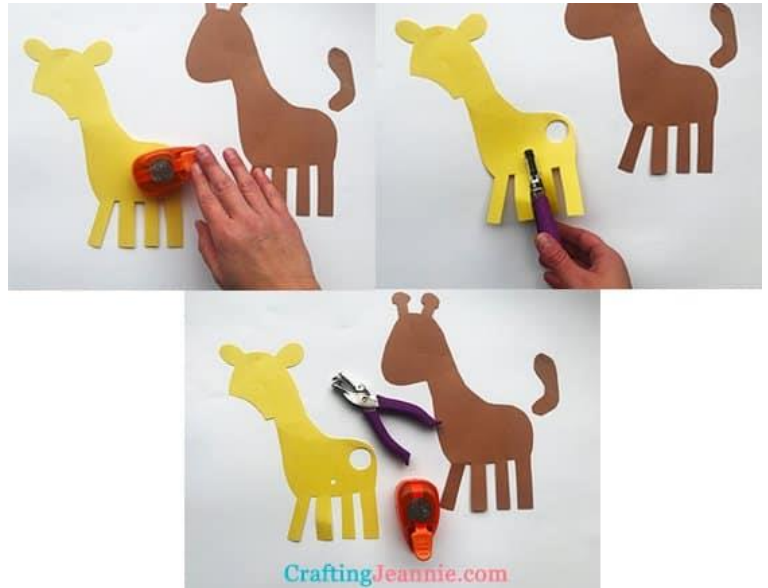# Print the Template and Cut Out the Giraffe Shapes

Once you have the template printed, separate the pages based on the final craft colors. Then, staple each template to multiple sheets of construction paper and cut out all of the shapes you need

Watch CraftingJeannie's "How to make a Paper Giraffe" video to see how to cut out multiple shapes at once and assemble the giraffe (https://youtu.be/pSIJOHI-KqM).

Decide if you will pre-punch the holes or leave it for the kids

The fun and cool part about this craft is the layering of the brown and yellow paper. If you have enough hole punchers, it would be great to let the kids punch the holes to make the giraffe spots (see image). If not, you may want to punch the holes before bringing this craft to your crew of kids.

If you do not have a hole punch, you also have the option of cutting out multiple brown circles and having the kids glue on the spots. The yellow and brown paper can still be layered for the hooves, horns and nose.

Each child should have three pieces:

1. brown (back piece)
2. yellow (front piece)
3. brown tail

They will also need a black crayon or marker to draw on the face and ears.

How to Assemble

I recommend having a giraffe that is already put together so the children can see what the final version will look like.

1. Draw on the giraffe's eyes and ears.

2. Punch large holes into the yellow piece of the giraffe. **Make sure you DO NOT punch holes where the eyes will go.**

3. Optional: punch small holes into the yellow part of the giraffe.

4. Lay the yellow part on top of the brown part and draw on the nose and mouth.

5. Cut small strips in the tip of the tail to make it look like hair (optional). Then glue the brown tail to the back of the giraffe.

6. Glue the yellow giraffe shape on top of the brown giraffe shape. The brown paper should show through the holes in the yellow paper to make spots. The brown paper will also make the hoofs, nose, and antlers.

7. Don't forget to write your name on the back!

And you're finished!

Step 1: Draw on the Giraffe's eyes and ears.

Step 2: Punch large holes into the yellow part of the giraffe.

Step 3: Punch small holes into the yellow part of the giraffe.

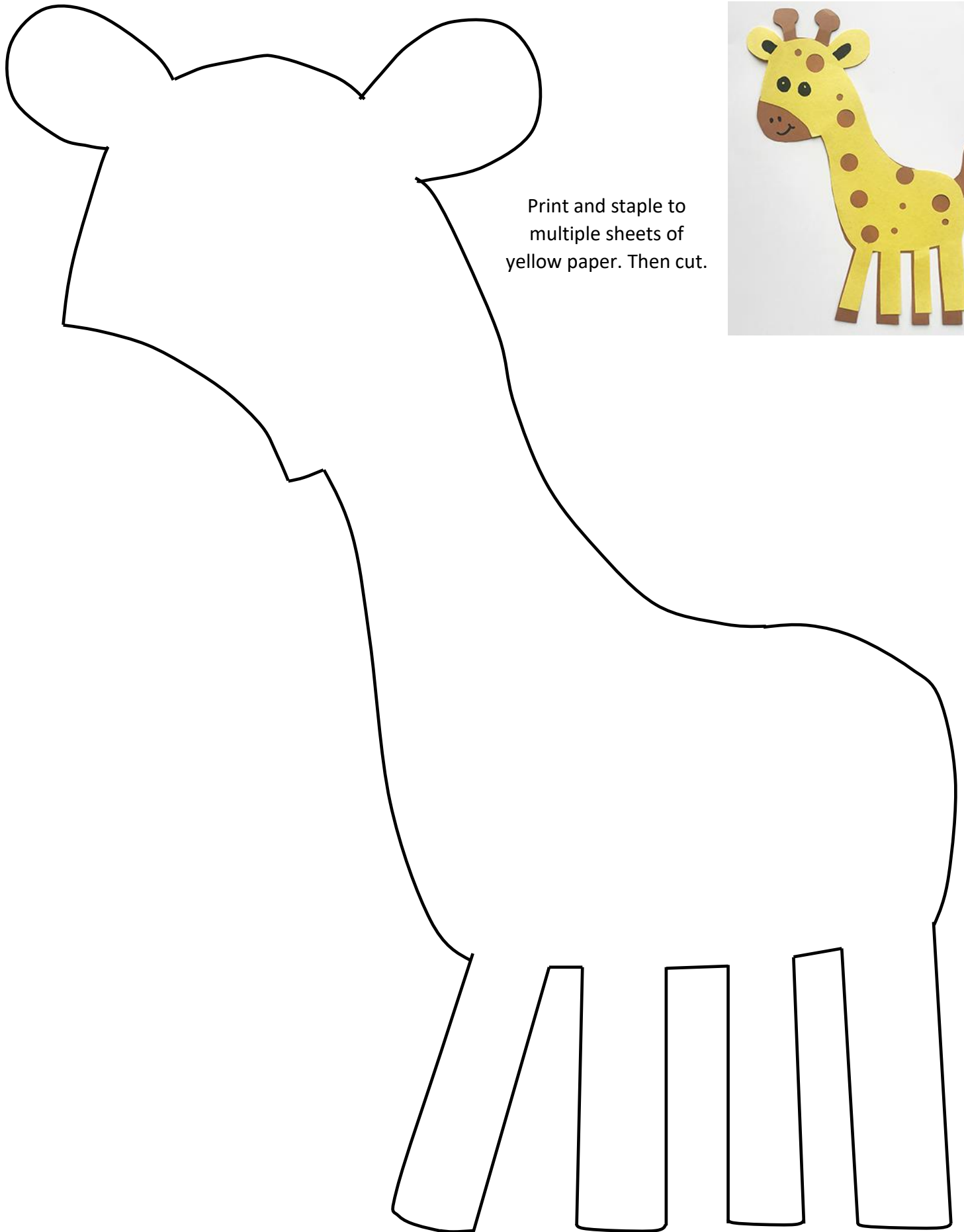**Step 4:** lay the yellow part on top of the brown part and draw on the nose and mouth.

Step 5: Glue on the tail.

Step 6: Glue the yellow top layer onto the brown bottom layer of the giraffe. Don't forget to write your name on the back. And you're finished!

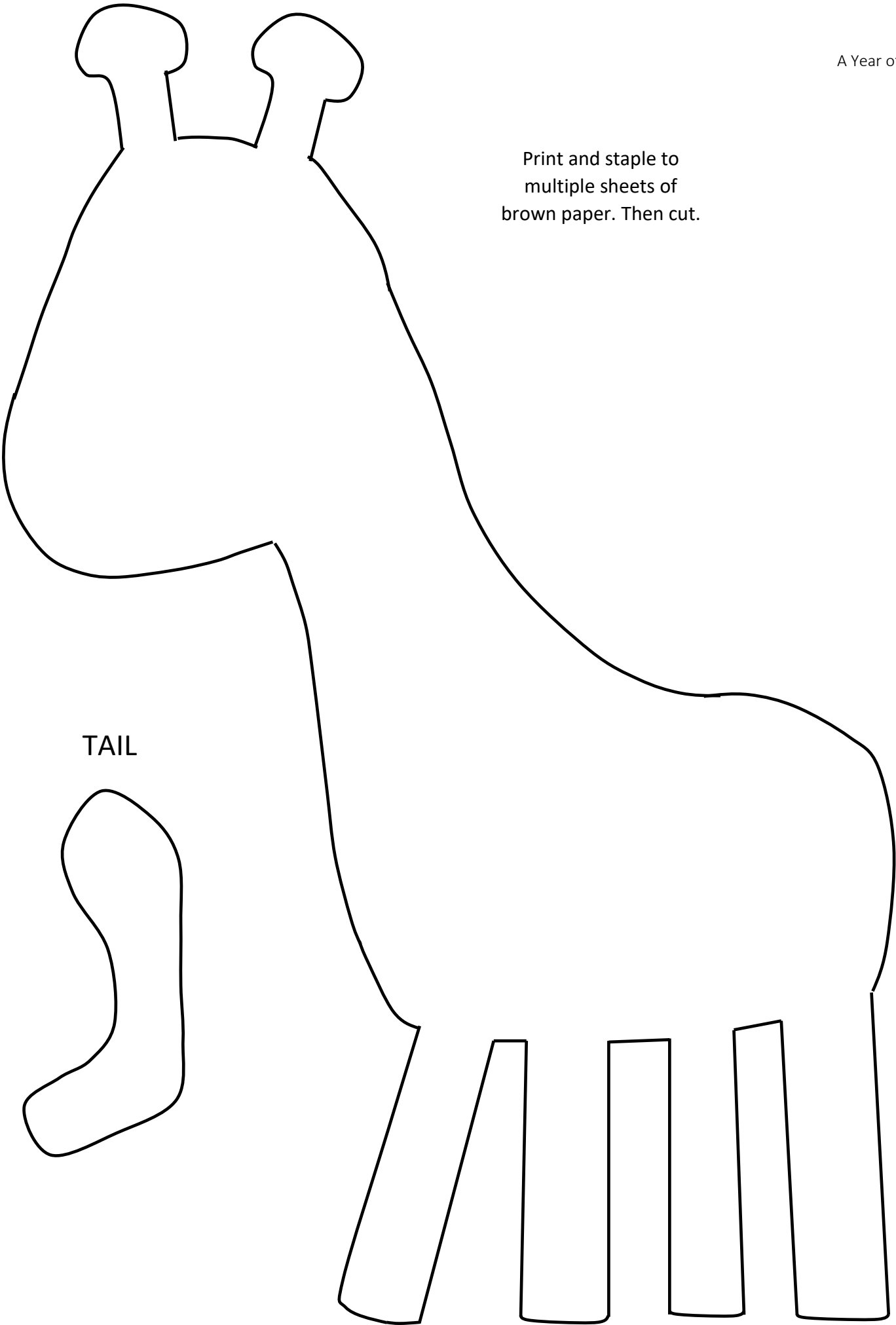# Giraffe Craft

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